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CELLULAR SERVICE OF MTNL IN MUMBAI
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited Cellular Service in Mumbai has faced competition from Hughes Telecom Company;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the losses suffered by MTNL as a result thereof; and

(d) the steps taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) M/s Hughes Telecom Company does not have licence to operate Cellular services in MTNL , Mumbai at present.

(b) to (d): Not applicable in view of reply to (a) above.